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	Number 1990	Percent	Number 2000	Percent	Number Change 1990 - 2000	Percent Change
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>						
<b>POPULATION 3 YEARS AND OVER</b>						
<b>ENROLLED IN SCHOOL <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>9,616</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>10,545</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>929</b>	<b>9.7</b>
Nursery school, preschool	x	x	625	5.9	x	x
Kindergarten	x	x	712	6.8	x	x
Elementary school	(included in high school total)		5,110	48.5	x	x
High school (grades 9-12) (1990: grades 1-12)	6,936	72.1	2,306	21.9	x	x
College or graduate school	2,035	21.2	1,792	17.0	-243	-11.9
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>						
<b>POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER</b>						
	<b>28,426</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>28,109</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-317</b>	<b>-1.1</b>
Less than 9th grade	5,677	20.0	3,855	13.7	-1,822	-32.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	6,777	23.8	6,277	22.3	-500	-7.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	8,568	30.1	8,982	32.0	414	4.8
Some college, no degree	3,247	11.4	4,703	16.7	1,456	44.8
Associate degree	1,564	5.5	1,442	5.1	-122	-7.8
Bachelor's degree	1,766	6.2	1,991	7.1	225	12.7
Graduate or professional degree	827	2.9	859	3.1	32	3.9
Percent high school graduate or higher	56.2	x	64.0	x	7.8	x
Percent Bachelor's degree or higher	9.1	x	10.1	x	1.0	x
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>						
<b>POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OVER</b>						
	<b>34,937</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>33,808</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-1,129</b>	<b>-3.2</b>
Never married	9,725	27.8	10,315	30.5	590	6.1
Now married (not separated)	17,298	49.5	15,635	46.2	-1,663	-9.6
Separated	1,340	3.8	997	2.9	-343	-25.6
Widowed	3,573	10.2	2,975	8.8	-598	-16.7
Female	2,950	8.4	2,414	7.1	-536	-18.2
Divorced	3,001	8.6	3,886	11.5	885	29.5
Female	1,795	5.1	2,295	6.8	500	27.9
<b>GRANDPARENTS AS CAREGIVERS</b>						
<b>GRANDPARENT LIVING IN HOUSEHOLD WITH ONE OR MORE OWN GRANDCHILDREN</b>						
<b>UNDER 18 YEARS <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	x	x	265	39.0	x	x
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>						
<b>CIVILIAN POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER</b>						
	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>32,027</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
Civilian veterans	x	x	4,599	14.4	x	x
<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>						
<b>POPULATION 5 TO 20 YEARS</b>						
	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>9,586</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
With a disability	x	x	1,247		x	x
<b>POPULATION 21 TO 64 YEARS</b>						
	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>23,752</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>
With a disability	x	x	6,532	27.5	x	x
Percent employed	x	x	56.5	x	x	x
No disability	x	x	17,220	72.5	x	x
Percent employed	x	x	77.1	x	x	x
<b>POPULATION 65 AND OVER</b>						
	<b>6,534</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,819</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-715</b>	<b>-10.9</b>
With a disability	2,382	36.5	2,522	43.3	140	5.9
<b>RESIDENCE IN 1995 (1990 CENSUS: 1985)</b>						
<b>POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER</b>						
	<b>40,519</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>39,950</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-569</b>	<b>-1.4</b>
Same house	22,870	56.4	20,731	51.9	-2,139	-9.4
Different house in the U.S.	16,975	41.9	18,196	45.5	1,221	7.2
Same county	12,612	31.1	13,552	33.9	940	7.5
Different county	4,363	10.8	4,644	11.6	281	6.4
Same state	115	0.3	372	0.9	257	223.5
Different state	4,248	10.5	4,272	10.7	24	0.6
Elsewhere (1990: lived abroad)	674	1.7	1,023	2.6	349	51.8

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<b>NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH</b>						
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>43,877</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>43,224</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-653</b>	<b>-1.5</b>
Native	40,805	93.0	39,985	92.5	-820	-2.0
Born in the United States	40,056	91.3	38,351	88.7	-1,705	-4.3
State of residence	30,604	69.7	28,954	67.0	-1,650	-5.4
Different state	9,452	21.5	9,397	21.7	-55	-0.6
Born outside the United States	749	1.7	1,634	3.8	885	118.2
Foreign born	3,072	7.0	3,239	7.5	167	5.4
Entered 1990 to March 2000 *	1,170	2.7	1,247	2.9	77	6.6
Naturalized citizen	1,759	4.0	1,453	3.4	-306	-17.4
Not a citizen	1,313	3.0	1,786	4.1	473	36.0
<b>REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>						
<b>TOTAL FOREIGN BORN POPULATION (except born at sea)</b>	<b>3,072</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,239</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>5.4</b>
Europe	x	x	663	20.5	x	x
Asia	x	x	1,303	40.2	x	x
Africa	x	x	403	12.4	x	x
Oceania	x	x	3	0.1	x	x
Latin America	x	x	503	15.5	x	x
Northern America	x	x	364	11.2	x	x
<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>						
<b>POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER</b>	<b>40,519</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>39,950</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-569</b>	<b>-1.4</b>
English only	28,302	69.8	29,519	73.9	1,217	4.3
Language other than English	11,839	29.2	10,431	26.1	-1,408	-11.9
Speak English other than "very well"	3,972	9.8	3,924	9.8	-48	-1.2
Spanish	896	2.2	3,180	8.0	2,284	254.9
Speak English other than "very well"	506	1.2	1,475	3.7	969	191.5
Other Indo-European languages	x	x	5,380	13.5	x	x
Speak English other than "very well"	x	x	1,347	3.4	x	x
Asian and Pacific Island languages	891	2.2	1,527	3.8	636	71.4
Speak English other than "very well"	636	1.6	894	2.2	258	40.6
<b>ANCESTRY (single or multiple)</b>						
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>43,877</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>43,224</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>-653</b>	<b>-1.5</b>
Total ancestries reported	51,262	116.8	47,886	110.8	-3,376	-6.6
Arab	321	0.7	230	0.5	-91	-28.3
Czech <sup>3</sup>	8	0.0	37	0.1	29	362.5
Danish	17	0.0	21	0.0	4	23.5
Dutch	140	0.3	153	0.4	13	9.3
English	3,141	7.2	2,241	5.2	-900	-28.7
French (except Basque) <sup>3</sup>	12,699	28.9	9,902	22.9	-2,797	-22.0
French Canadian <sup>3</sup>	13,720	31.3	10,008	23.2	-3,712	-27.1
German	1,513	3.4	1,356	3.1	-157	-10.4
Greek	115	0.3	155	0.4	40	34.8
Hungarian	115	0.3	60	0.1	-55	-47.8
Irish <sup>3</sup>	5,054	11.5	4,626	10.7	-428	-8.5
Italian	3,510	8.0	4,092	9.5	582	16.6
Lithuanian	51	0.1	69	0.2	18	35.3
Norwegian	83	0.2	79	0.2	-4	-4.8
Polish	2,012	4.6	1,776	4.1	-236	-11.7
Portuguese	868	2.0	1,202	2.8	334	38.5
Russian	125	0.3	81	0.2	-44	-35.2
Scotch-Irish	181	0.4	220	0.5	39	21.5
Scottish	507	1.2	458	1.1	-49	-9.7
Slovak	78	0.2	0	0.0	-78	-100.0
Subsaharan African	138	0.3	677	1.6	539	390.6
Swedish	239	0.5	286	0.7	47	19.7
Swiss	0	0.0	23	0.1	23	x
Ukrainian	509	1.2	259	0.6	-250	-49.1
United States or American	1,000	2.3	1,347	3.1	347	34.7
Welsh	27	0.1	28	0.1	1	3.7
West Indian (excluding Hispanic groups)	43	0.1	64	0.1	21	48.8
Other ancestries	5,048	11.5	8,436	19.5	3,388	67.1

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**FOOTNOTES**

x Data not available or not applicable.

\* 1990 census: entered 1980 to 1990.

<sup>1</sup> In 1990, persons who were enrolled and reported completing nursery school or less were classified as enrolled in "preprimary school", which includes kindergarten. Elementary school and High school combined into one data field in 1990.

<sup>2</sup> Question relating to "grandparents as caregivers" not asked in 1990 census.

<sup>3</sup> The data represent a combination of two ancestries shown separately in Summary File 3. Czech includes Czechoslovakian. French includes Alsatian. French Canadian includes Acadian/Cajun. Irish includes Celtic.